

BEAUVAIS ANXIOUS TO CLEAR HIMSELF

Former Guide Describes How
Stillman Challenged Him
With Smile.

HAS GIFTS FROM BANKER

Insists These Will Prove Good
Relations Existed at
Christmas, 1919.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
MONTREAL, Dec. 4.—Fred K. Beauvais met James A. Stillman last April in the lobby of the Hotel Commodore. It was the first and only time the banker had seen the former guide since Mr. Stillman began the divorce action suit in which he names Beauvais as correspondent.

"He passed me and I passed him," Beauvais said to-day. "He cracked a smile and I smiled. It was a smile of battle. He was surprised to see me, of course."

Beauvais explained that the reason he is so anxious to take the stand and tell his side of the story is because "they have put a feather in my hat and I am going to take it out." He wishes to recount the entire story of his relations with the Stillman family from 1912, when he was employed as a guide in the north woods, to March, 1920, when he asserted the marital relations of Mr. and Mrs. Stillman reached the breaking point and he left.

Insists on Telling Story.

"I don't care if Mr. Mack or Mr. Brennan want me to go on the stand or not," he added. "I'm going to tell my story. I have suffered for two years and I have been sacrificed. I am going to go on the stand and I will demand the things be public. If I am not permitted to testify I will shout it out through the streets. I will take the feather out of my hat. This case has hurt me too much for me not to clear my name."

John F. Brennan, chief counsel for Mrs. Stillman, and John E. Mack, guardian for Baby Guy Stillman, have completed the work which brought them to Canada last Wednesday and are on their way back to New York. The Montreal lawyer selected by Messrs. Brennan and Mack to handle the Canadian end of the suit will prepare for the presentation of testimony when the special commission convenes here some time next month.

Beauvais is satisfied his work in the north woods will clear Mrs. Stillman of her husband's allegations. He asserts that certain remarks made by Mrs. Stillman regarding the French Canadians has caused some feeling, and he expressed the hope she would not go to Montreal for the hearings. The former guide said certain witnesses who testified against the banker's wife "did not lie deliberately."

"They thought they were helping Mrs. Stillman," he said. "They thought she wanted to get a divorce."

Has Gifts From Stillman.

Aside from denying he ever received the famous "little black bear" telegram, which, according to testimony at Pouchou, was sent to Beauvais by Mrs. Stillman when Baby Guy was born, the former guide will produce a penknife and a book which, he says, were given to him by Mrs. Stillman at Christmas, 1918 and 1919. The book, Beauvais said, was inscribed: "From father to Fred." He will produce these to show the most friendly relations existed between him and the banker while he was a servant in the Stillman home. Beauvais will tell what happened at the St. Regis in February, 1920, after Anne Stillman, the banker's daughter, was ill with the mumps, and a nurse, according to Beauvais, told Mrs. Stillman that her husband had failed to call a physician for Miss Stillman. Words passed between Mr. and Mrs. Stillman subsequently, he said, and the banker left the hotel and never returned again while Mrs. Stillman was there. The former guide prides himself on a claim that his great-grandfather was a French count. This count, he says, came to Montreal with the early French settlers and married an Indian woman.

"I'm proud of my family," he concluded. "We may be poor now, but it's an old family and it goes away back."

**CHAMBER VOTES CURB
ON GREEDY LANDLORDS**

Would End Furniture Sale
Scandal in France.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
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Paris, Dec. 4.—After a week of discussion the Chamber at 4 o'clock this morning adopted a bill designed to put an end to the housing scandal by which speculators in cheap furniture have made many millions of francs. If the Senate approves the bill it will become a criminal offense for owners to rent apartments on the condition that the tenants buy the furniture.

Since the war it has been a common practice to ask 100,000 francs for a few sticks of furniture not worth a fifth of that sum, the owners knowing that apartments were so scarce that foreigners would be willing to meet all conditions. The Government also has pledged itself to devise a law which will prohibit the renting as furnished of any apartment not so listed before the war, and which will give tenants who have been imposed upon by grasping landlords an opportunity to ask for judicial arbitration and the eventual return of anything sold in excess of the apartment's real value.

SLACKER CHARGES DROPPED.

Department Clears Nine Men in
New York and New Jersey.

The War Department has set aside charges of desertion against nine men in New York and New Jersey whose names were published on "slacker lists."

They are Walter Webber of New York city, William J. Mitchell of Niagara Falls and Thomas Rowe of Newark, who enlisted but failed to report the fact, and Clifford C. Courson of Saratoga Springs, Sean La Lanza, Thomas Murphy and Hyman Sweifach of Bayonne, Adrian P. Perry of Herkimer county and Stanislaw Gregorowicz of Camden, who were listed by errors of local boards.

8000 BALES OF COTTON BURN.

Fire at Greenwood, Miss., Compress
Causes \$750,000 Loss.

Greenwood, Miss., Dec. 4.—More than seven thousand bales of long staple cotton were destroyed by a fire of undetermined origin that burned the Greenwood Compress and Storage Company's warehouse tonight.

The loss was estimated at \$750,000.

PURITY LEAGUE HEAD OUT ON CHARGE OF KISSING

Jack Weinheimer Puts in No Defence at New York
University Hearing—Ralph Walker, Who Admits
One Technical Smack, Elected.

Those New York University seniors who recently organized the Class of 1922 Purity League felt like throwing their purity overboard yesterday because their president, Jack Weinheimer, attended a special meeting and did not deny that he had been kissed, that he smoked and—horror of horrors!—that he had used cuss words. However, the seniors restrained themselves and merely fired Weinheimer from the office and from the league.

To succeed the impure young Mr. Weinheimer, the Purity League elected Ralph C. Walker, a divinity student. Mr. Walker admitted with becoming modesty that he had been kissed, once only, and then under circumstances which the other purities admitted were very extenuating. It seems that Mr. Walker attended a party in which there were kissing games and he lost and had to pay the forfeit and kiss a young lady. But he proved to the satisfaction of the league that nobody got any run out of it.

The downfall of young Mr. Weinheimer came about through Sydney Joseph Crowley, who goes to dances and things ticked as "the university's handsome senior." Mr. Crowley wrote a letter in which he said he had seen Mr. Weinheimer kiss a young lady and offered to prove it by the lady. He also said that Mr. Weinheimer smoked and

**WALDO'S NAME DRAWN
FOR SERVICE ON JURY**

Ex-Police Official to Serve in
Model County.

Rhineland Waldo, former Police Commissioner of New York city, who now lives on a large country place in Putnam Valley, has been drawn, it was announced yesterday, to serve on the Putnam County Grand Jury to ferret



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Salvation Army Prepares for
Annual Distribution.

Five thousand baskets of food will be given to needy families in New York and Brooklyn by the Salvation Army this Christmas Day. Nor will the single man be overlooked, for open house will be declared in a number of institutions, where men will be served a Christmas dinner.

The greatest number of baskets will be distributed from the Ninth Regiment Armory opposite the national headquarters of the Salvation Army, in Fourteenth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

Major Edward Underwood, in charge of men's social service work in Manhattan, has arranged for turkey dinners to be served from the Bowery Hotel, 225 Bowery; Men's Shelter, 507 West Twenty-sixth street; Men's Industrial Home, 231 East 129th street; Social Welfare Centre, 28 Raymond street, Brooklyn, and the Emergency Home, at the old Amity street police station.

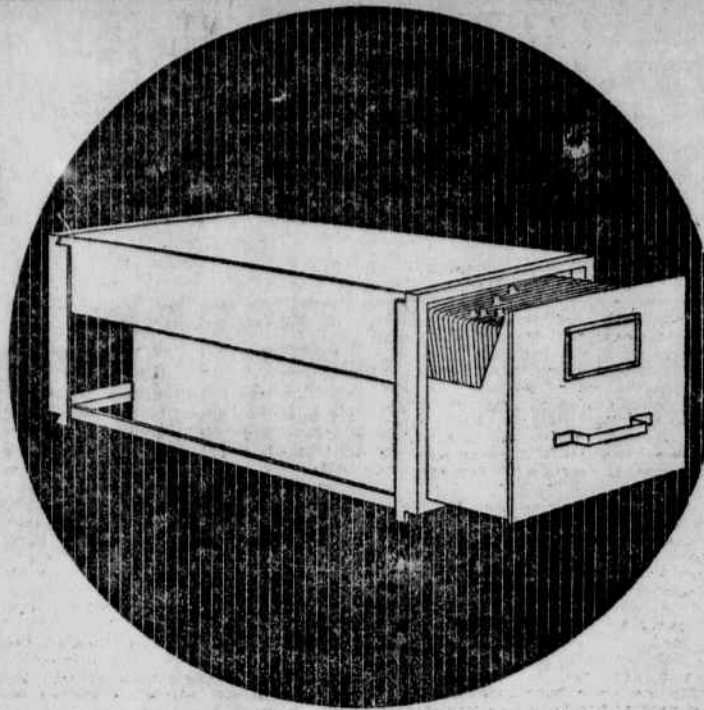
**SIX DIE AS CLOSED CAR
PLUNGES INTO CANAL**

Two Families Wiped Out in
Ohio Accident.

TOLINO, Dec. 4.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Roskusi and their daughter, 5, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard K. Laver and their daughter, 4, were drowned this afternoon when the sedan in which they were riding slipped off the River Road into eight feet of water in the Miami Erie Canal at Waterville, twelve miles from Toledo.

The two families had been riding in Laver's machine. They were on their way home when the accident happened.

The accident was discovered by Will Isham, a farmer, who secured help and hauled the car from the water. The bodies were inside. Apparently it had been impossible to open either door of the closed car.



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